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In re Reissue Application of

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Reissue Application of U.S. Patent
6,511,374 B2 issued on January 28, 2003

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For: HUB AND BLADE ASSEMBLY FOR AN AGRICULTURAL COMBINE RESIDUE
HANDLING SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before column 1, line 7:

This application is a reissue of U.S. Patent No. 6,511,374 B2 issued from Application serial number 09/776,091, filed February 2, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims beginning at column 10, line 33.

11. A chopper and discharge apparatus for use with a combine harvester having a combine harvester body, means for discharging separated straw from a rear discharge area of the combine harvester body, and means mounting the apparatus on the combine harvester body at a position adjacent the rear discharge area for receiving straw therefrom, the apparatus comprising: